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Idaho Winter Wheat Production Unchanged from Last Month

Idaho's 2004 winter wheat production is forecast at 55.1 million bushels, unchanged from last month's forecast, but 4 percent less than last year's crop. Based on June 1 conditions, yield is forecasted to be 81 bushels per acre, also unchanged from last month, but 1 bushel per acre more than last year's yield. Acres to be harvested, at 680,000, represent a 40,000 acre decrease from 2003. Idaho hops strung for harvest in 2004 totaled 3,505 acres, 2 percent more than last year's harvested area of 3,429 acres.

United States winter wheat production is forecast at 1.53 billion bushels, down 1 percent from the May 1 forecast and 10 percent below 2003. Based on June 1 conditions, the U. S. yield is forecast at 43.6 bushels per acre, down 0.6 bushel from the previous forecast and 3.1 bushels below last year. Area for grain harvest is 35.1 million acres, unchanged from last month but 4 percent less than 2003. United States hops strung for harvest in 2004 totaled 27,946 acres, 3 percent less than the 2003 crop of 28,669 acres harvested, and 5 percent less than the 2002 crop of 29,309 acres harvested.

Winter Wheat: Area Harvested, Yield, and Production Selected States and United States, 2003 and Forecasted 2004

State	Area Harvested		Yield			Production	
	2003	2004	2003	May 1, 2004	June 1, 2004	2003	2004
	<i>1,000 Acres</i>		<i>Bushels</i>			<i>1,000 Bushels</i>	
Arkansas	570	630	50.0	51.0	51.0	28,500	32,130
California	370	310	61.0	75.0	75.0	22,570	23,250
Colorado	2,200	1,800	35.0	30.0	30.0	77,000	54,000
Idaho	720	680	80.0	81.0	81.0	57,600	55,080
Illinois	810	970	65.0	62.0	58.0	52,650	56,260
Indiana	430	420	69.0	63.0	65.0	29,670	27,300
Kansas	10,000	9,000	48.0	41.0	39.0	480,000	351,000
Michigan	660	620	68.0	69.0	70.0	44,880	43,400
Missouri	870	950	61.0	55.0	55.0	53,070	52,250
Montana	1,720	1,600	37.0	33.0	34.0	63,640	54,400
Nebraska	1,820	1,850	46.0	39.0	35.0	83,720	64,750
North Carolina	410	480	36.0	45.0	47.0	14,760	22,560
Ohio	1,000	880	68.0	68.0	67.0	68,000	58,960
Oklahoma	4,600	4,300	39.0	36.0	37.0	179,400	159,100
Oregon	940	840	51.0	53.0	59.0	47,940	49,560
South Dakota	1,380	1,440	43.0	38.0	35.0	59,340	50,400
Texas	3,450	3,600	28.0	33.0	33.0	96,600	118,800
Washington	1,800	1,700	65.0	63.0	64.0	117,000	108,800
Wyoming	145	135	27.0	25.0	22.0	3,915	2,970
United States	36,541	35,082	46.7	44.2	43.6	1,707,069	1,530,742

Mid-May Prices Received by Farmers

Preliminary indications of prices received by Idaho farmers for the month of May showed increases from April for alfalfa hay, feed barley, malting barley, dry beans, all wheat, all beef cattle and all milk. Price declines included all barley and potatoes.

The preliminary All Farm Products Index of Prices Received by Farmers in May was 132 based on 1990-92=100, up 7 points (5.6 percent) from the April index. Producers received higher commodity prices for milk, hogs, cattle, and broilers. Lower prices were received for lettuce, eggs, corn, and tomatoes.

Prices Received by Farmers for Selected Commodities, May 2003-May 2004

Commodity	Unit	Idaho			United States			
		May 2003	April 2004	May 2004 ^{1/}	May 2003	April 2004	May 2004	
							Price ^{1/}	% Parity
CROPS:								
Alfalfa Hay	Ton	87.00	82.00	100.00	100.00	92.70	109.00	--
Barley, All	Bu.	3.11	3.18	3.16	2.91	2.78	2.79	42
Feed	Bu.	2.57	2.40	2.45	2.33	2.16	2.29	--
Malting	Bu.	3.17	3.37	3.40	3.19	3.04	3.04	--
Dry Beans	Cwt.	18.10	19.30	19.60	19.10	19.60	21.80	42
Potatoes ^{2/}	Cwt.	5.00	4.95	4.90	6.96	6.84	6.75	44
Fresh ^{3/}	Cwt.	3.60	3.70	--	8.37	8.42	--	--
Processing	Cwt.	4.00	4.40	--	5.66	5.59	--	--
Wheat, All	Bu.	3.20	3.76	3.78	3.33	3.89	3.73	37
LIVESTOCK & PRODUCTS:								
Beef Cattle ^{4/}	Cwt.	71.20	77.00	80.00	75.50	84.80	88.40	52
Cows ^{5/}	Cwt.	42.10	49.50	51.10	42.40	50.50	52.40	--
Steers & Heifers	Cwt.	80.40	85.70	89.10	79.60	88.90	92.60	--
Calves	Cwt.	96.00	111.00	113.00	100.00	117.00	122.00	53
Lambs	Cwt.	99.00	99.00	--	97.60	100.00	--	--
Milk, All ^{6/}	Cwt.	10.20	18.80	19.50	11.00	18.20	7/ 20.30	8/ 59
Fluid Grade ^{9/}	Cwt.	10.20	18.80	--	11.00	18.20	7/ 20.30	--
Mfg. Grade	Cwt.	10.10	20.40	--	10.20	19.40	7/ 20.70	--

1/ Mid-Month. 2/ Average price of potatoes sold for all uses, including table stock, processing, seed and livestock feed. 3/ Fresh market prices only, includes table stock prices. 4/ "Cows" and "steers and heifers" combined. 5/ Beef cows and cull dairy cows sold for slaughter. 6/ Before deductions for hauling. Includes quality, quantity, and other premiums. Excludes hauling subsidies. 7/ Fat test percent: all milk 3.61, fluid milk 3.60, mfg grade 3.77. 8/ Seasonally adjusted price as percentage of parity price. 9/ Including milk diverted to manufacturing.

United States Price Index Summary Table

Index 1990-92 = 100	April 2003	May 2003	April 2004		May 2004 Preliminary
			Preliminary	Revised	
Prices Received	101	105	124	125	132
Prices Paid	128	127	133	133	134
Ratio ^{1/}	79	83	93	94	99

1/ Ratio of index of prices received by farmers to index of prices paid.

U.S. Dairy Products April 2004 Highlights

Total cheese output (excluding cottage cheese) was 755 million pounds, 5.0 percent above April 2003 but 3.2 percent below March 2004.

American type cheese production totaled 320 million pounds, 4.3 percent above April 2003 but 1.2 percent below March 2004.

Butter production was 97.1 million pounds in April, 21.0 percent below April 2003 but slightly above March 2004.

Frozen dessert: (comparisons with April 2003)

Ice cream

Regular (hard) --- 77.1 million gallons, down 8.6 percent.

Lowfat (total) --- 39.0 million gallons, up 20.8 percent.

Nonfat (hard) --- 2.08 million gallons, up 13.7 percent.

Sherbet (hard) --- 5.18 million gallons, up 3.3 percent.

Frozen Yogurt (total) --- 6.04 million gallons, down 14.0 percent.

Dry milk products: (comparisons with April 2003)

Nonfat dry milk for human food --- 134 million pounds, down 16.2 percent.

Idaho Nursery & Greenhouse Sales Increase

Idaho nurseries and greenhouses sold an estimated 66.1 million dollars of plants and plant materials in 2003. This is a 17% increase from 2002, a 19% increase from 2001, and a 19% increase from 2000. This survey reflects only the total gross sales of Idaho grown plants and plant materials including Christmas trees.

Total gross value of sales were reported for various plant and plant material categories. Field grown sales in 2003 accounted for 72% of the total gross sales at 47.5 million dollars, while Greenhouse grown sales accounted for 27% at 17.9 million dollars. Christmas tree sales in 2003 accounted for 1% of the total gross sales at 720,000 dollars.

Total Gross Sales by Category of Plant Material, 2000-2003

	2000	2001	2002	2003
FIELD GROWN :	(1,000 Dollars)			
Bare Root	1,926	1,860	1,702	1,594
Balled and Burlapped	17,490	17,283	18,913	22,059
Container	5,467	5,969	6,060	10,026
Sod	11,105	10,783	11,335	13,721
Other [bulbs, corms, tubers, etc.]	94	100	47	74
Total Field Grown Sales	36,082	35,995	38,057	47,474
GREENHOUSE GROWN:				
Houseplants	3,633	3,023	2,891	2,827
Cut Flowers	897	969	822	660
Bedding Plants [annuals, perennials, vegetables, etc.]	9,087	10,723	10,929	12,165
Seedling/Liners	1,509	1,672	1,774	1,269
Other [plant material not included above]	3,323	1,860	1,026	1,008
Total Greenhouse Grown Sales	18,449	18,247	17,442	17,929
TOTAL GROSS SALES [excludes Christmas trees]	54,531	54,242	55,499	65,403
Christmas Tress [cut trees only]	1,211	1,093	942	720
TOTAL GROSS SALES	55,742	55,335	56,441	66,123

Total Gross Nursery & Greenhouse Sales - 1996 & 1999

Nursery and Greenhouse	1996	1999
	(1,000 Dollars)	
Bare Root	1,617	1,782
Balled and Burlapped	10,445	14,436
Container	5,716	6,077
Greenhouse	9,816	12,236
Sod	5,227	9,519
Houseplants & Cut Flowers	1/	2,503
Other Plant Materials 2/	4,776	1,599
Total Gross Sales	37,607	48,152

1/ Included in Other Plant Materials. 2/ Included bulbs, house plants, cut flowers in tublings, tubers, etc. in 1996. Included bulbs, tublings, tubers, etc in 1999.

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